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Applicant: **Naoshi FUKUSHIMA, et al.**

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OFFICE OF PETITIONS**SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Further to the Preliminary Amendment file on October 17, 2002 and prior to examination of the present application, Applicants respectfully request that the application be amended as follows:

In the Specification:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please replace the Sequence Listing and Statement To Support Filing And Submission In Accordance With 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825 filed on October 17, 2002 with the Sequence Listing and Statement To Support Filing And Submission In Accordance With 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825 filed herewith.

On page 82 and bridging page 83, delete the last full paragraph, and replace this paragraph with the following in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.121. A marked up version showing changes is attached:

The gene encoding L chain V region of human antibody 12B5 binding to human MPL was designed by connecting the nucleotide sequence of gene (SEQ ID NO: 67) at the 51'-